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1. Training of military personnel in Bulgaria is allegedly continuing at a normal pace. Recent military training activity consisted chiefly of the following:
 - a. A 6-month course for political officers started in February;
 - b. A course is being held on the internal defense of Bulgaria in the event of occupation, and includes training leaders of guerrilla, partisan, and saboteur units;
 - c. Normal training of the current draft class, with maneuvers limited to small units;
 - d. Preparations for reopening summer training camps; and
 - e. The passing of a new law granting 20 days leave to military personnel with two years service.
2. The concentration in the Kazanluk area of armored units, equipped with Soviet "Stalin" heavy tanks, War materiel continues to arrive in the port of Varna and is unloaded at night by military personnel. German-type, metal-hull landing craft and minelayers are being constructed in the Korolovog factory. 25X1
3. Bulgaria's intention to complete and strengthen her territorial defense is evidenced by the following recent developments:
 - a. The installation in Sofia of an independent telephonic network said to be composed of a central switchboard connected, by means of a warning alarm, with defense centers, main offices, warehouses, dumps, railroads and other points of general interest; and
 - b. The intensification of the preparation of military personnel destined for territorial defense.

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